

Town Crier

Tewksbury - Wilmington

364 MIDDLESEX AVE.

Wilmington, Mass.

658-2346



A Santa named Sue

Santa Claus, it turns out, is an equal opportunity employer. Susan Brown filled the jolly role, with a little help from a pillow, last Wednesday evening at the senior citizens' Christmas party at the Wilmington K of C Hall. Aided by some helpers, she passed out hundreds of Christmas gifts.

Handbook out on government

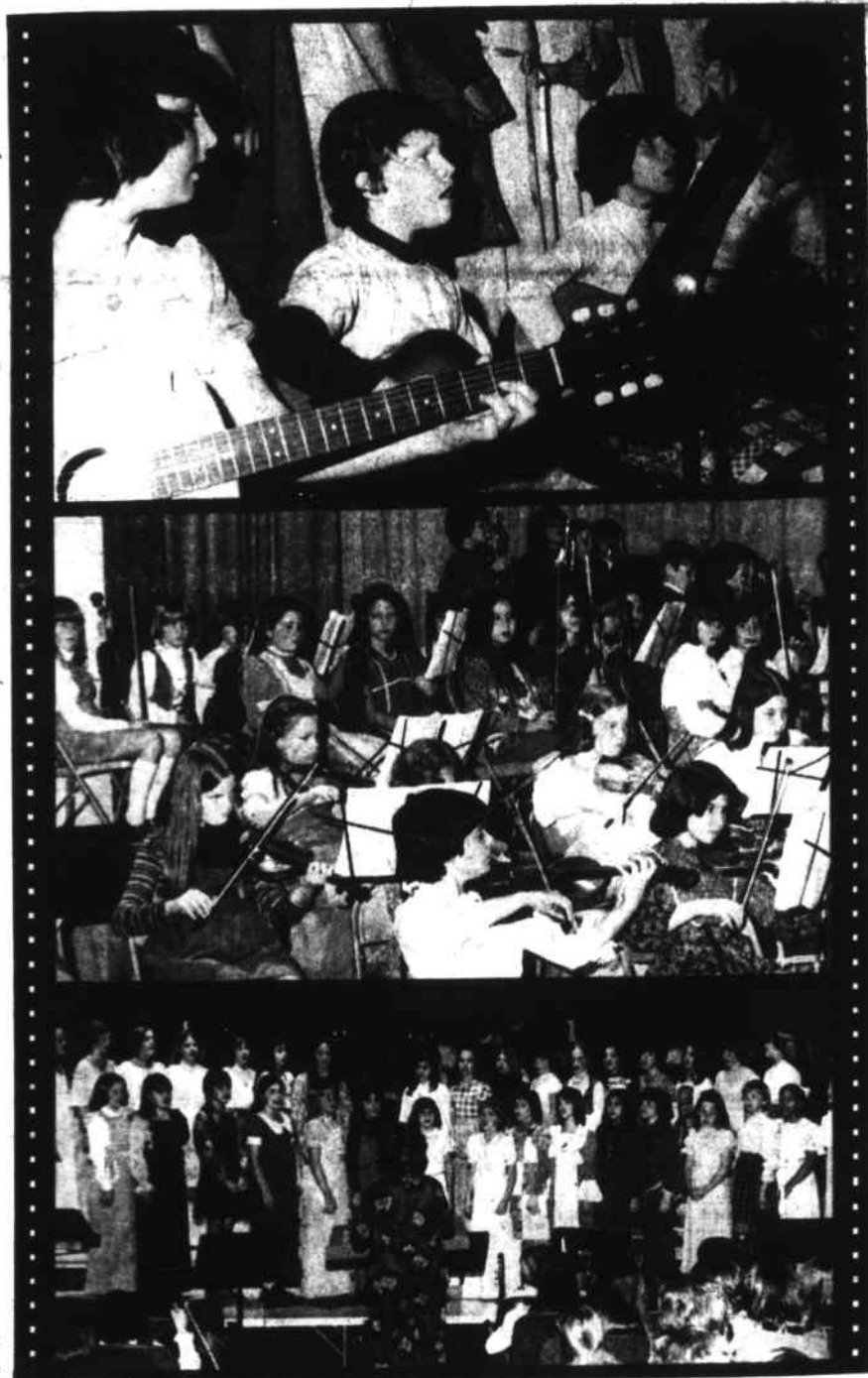
Everything (almost) you ever wanted to know about town government will be at your fingertips before the new year.

The Wilmington League of Women Voters has prepared an informative booklet, "Handbook on Town Government" for Wilmington residents. In addition to explaining the town government, the booklet provides information on county, state and regional government. Included in the book are pieces on the educational, recreational, town and human services available. Articles are also included on the history, culture and finances of Wilmington.

The book is the second of its kind to be compiled and distributed by the Wilmington League, the first having been done in the 1960's. It is a part of the league's commitment to provide the voting public with non-partisan information about the democratic process.

The finished product represents the cooperative efforts of many groups. League members, town officials, members of various town boards and interested citizens contributed their time, effort and talent to the project. Financial sponsorship was given by the Wilmington League of Women Voters, the Bay Bank/Middlesex, The Commercial Bank and Trust Co., and the Melrose Savings Bank, with contributions from the Town of Wilmington, the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, and the Shawmut Melrose/Wakefield Bank.

The booklet, with Ann Torrente's original drawing of the First Meeting House on its cover, will be hand delivered by members of Boy Scout Troop 63, during Christmas week.



Best show in town

The Christmas concert of the Wilmington elementary schools has developed into a consistently good performance each year. Last Thursday evening, a capacity crowd at the Barrows Auditorium listened to Christmas carols played on guitar, on violin, and sung in chorus.

Bantam netminder a junior Olympian

Billy Redler goaltender for the Assabet Valley Pee Wee Minor Allstars, was named to the number one slot on U.S.A. Team 77 Bantams. U.S.A. Team 77 will travel to West Germany, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, Luxembourg and along with their annual Canadian invitational should make for an exciting year. Billy is 12 years old and lives at 163 Lake Street, Wilmington. This Bantam team of junior olympians will have a busy traveling schedule. U.S.A.

Team 77 will travel to West Germany, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, Luxembourg with a chance of continuing hockey competition in Russia. The team gets underway with the annual Ottawa Christmas Tournament which is just a warm up for the Kitchener Internationals beginning in February. Returning from Niagara Falls the home town boys Ronnie Cahill and Billy Redler assisted their Assabet Valley Pee Wee Allstars to success in the Coca-Cola sponsored Can-Am Tournament, hosted by the Wheatfield.

The tough defensive play of Ronnie Cahill, combined with the aggressive forechecking from a solid positional hockey team handed Peterborough, Ontario a 6-0 loss. Stride for stride, this was just the beginning as the fast-moving Assabet kids set the pace, keeping the fans on their feet by making it a goaltending game in which, only short of perfection would yield the victory. Coming late in the second period, a combination

that proved too much for the Canadians, the kids broke the ice to make it 1-0. Nonstop third period action, the kids put insurance on the game as they popped the second goal by. The super goaltending of Billy Redler gave his team their second tournament shutout against Collingwood, Ontario with a squirming 2-0 win. Culminating, a fantastic seven consecutive game shutout series, Billy Redler was named to the American Allstar team in final Can-Am playoff.

Alderwood settlement \$53,210.11

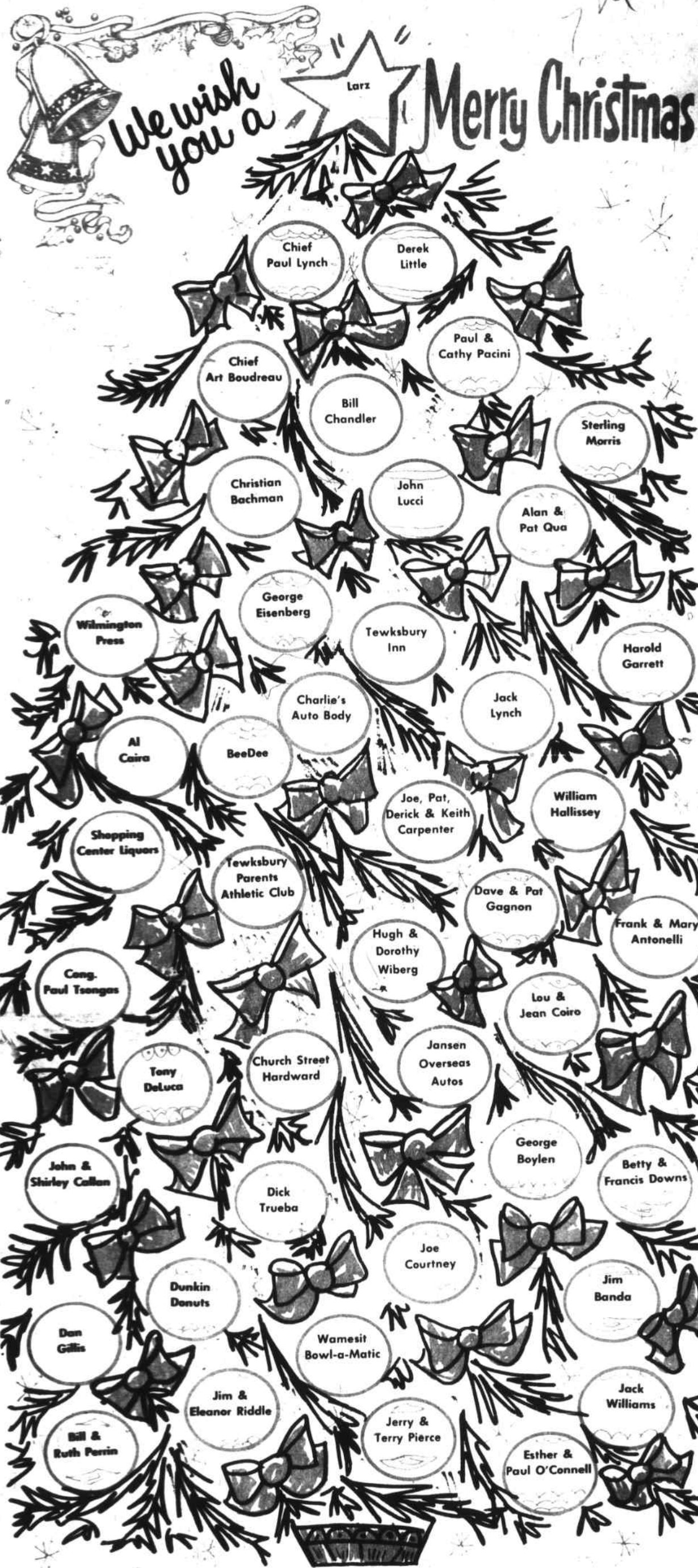
The Town of Wilmington has agreed to pay \$53,210.11 to the Drinkwater Realty Trust for a controversial 1973 land taking.

The settlement came as a final court judgement, in a suit in which the Drinkwater trust had sought \$118,000 from the town.

Article 1 of a special town meeting on June 25, 1973 took the land as conservation land. The town, at that time, appropriated \$50,000 for the taking.

The land involved was of approximately 20 1/2 acres, known as Alderwood Estates III. Drinkwater had secured approval of the land as a subdivision, and was preparing to build.

Alderwood Estates lies between Woburn Street and West Street and was built in two portions by separate developers. Part of the area is subject to water problems, which led to the town's taking the proposed third section of the subdivision.



Santa Claus received a present

Santa Claus is a popular man, just now, down at the former Mildred Rogers School. He and four of his elves opened office there Sunday, and have been present each evening, from 6:30 to 8:30. Tonight (Wednesday) will be the last time this year.

Santa has been assisted by some volunteers. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Noel have been present, and Sam Bertwell is about to take over.

There are four elves, each night. They are very busy making toys for Santa's tree. It is definitely an uncommercial atmosphere.

Hundreds of good little girls and boys have greeted Santa, at the headquarters of the Wilmington Recreation Department. Each one gets a color picture of himself or herself on Santa's knee. Parents and children have had long lines of waiting,

reaching out into the parking lot in the rain.

This year, for the first time, one of the young people brought a present for Santa. Santa often gets cards from thoughtful young people - but a present? Never before has it happened, according to Larry Noel.

SEASONS GREETINGS

COMMERCIAL BANK & TRUST COMPANY WILL CLOSE AT 3 P.M. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24 AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Notice is hereby given that Articles, for inclusion in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in March 1977, must be submitted to the Board of Selectmen, in the Wilmington Town Hall, no later than 4:30 p.m. January 3, 1977.

George W. Boylen, Jr.
Chmn. Bd. of Selectmen
D15,22,29

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Shawsheen Tech honor roll

Tewksbury Grade nine

Michael P. Amorella, Bruce E. Campbell, Kelly Cantwell, Kelley Carey, James Donovan, William Donovan, Kenneth F. Driscoll, Allita MacElhinney.

James Miner, Diane M. Ray, Joan L. Ryan, Anne Sarsfield, Holly Trudeau, Richard D. Tucker, Donna Westcott, Karen E. Woods.

Grade ten

William Belladue, Kathleen Brown, Michael Chandler, Robert Court, Stephen Doherty, Scott Isabelle, Peter Landry, Richard Levasseur, Robert McCulloch, Daniel McKenna, Clair McNeill, Christopher Smith.

Grade eleven

Christopher Decker, Charles Doherty, Michael Doherty, James Flynn, Debra Gerry, Patricia Gove, Walter Hamilton.

Richard Hayes, Laurie Marchessault, Scott Neville, Joseph Quinn, Brian Sullivan, Martin Regan, Steven White.

Grade twelve

Kevin Bergia, Patricia Coffin, James Connolly, Vincent DeAngelo, William Desharais, Mary Doherty, Jacqueline Fortier, Richard Hillson, Donald Hinckley, Susan Olson, Alfred Ryan, Paul Saunders.

Wilmington Grade nine

John Andres, Philip G. Bennett, Donald A. Buckler, Scott Churchill, Karen Ann Bush, Peter F. Davey, Frank DeCicca, George H. Ferdinand.

Grade ten

Mark Jenkins, Robert E. Jennings, Cheryl A. Kindred, Brian A. Lawler, Linda Roberts, Cathy Robson, Carole M. Sgroso, Paul S. Sheldon, David B. Wells.

Grade eleven

Lisa Bennett, Laurie Cuthill, Bruce Davidson, Kenneth Downey, Donald Durant.

Gregory Howell, Kenneth Knight, Mark Morrissey, John Murray, Dawn Patterson, Anthony Rulli.

Grade twelve

William Elliott, Anthony Lang, Deborah Mills, Gary Paoletti, Priscilla Riley, Raymond Robson, Kathleen Spence, Susan Sullivan, James White.

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Yvonne Darling, Brian Mohr.

King Kong at library

The original King Kong film (1933) is to be shown three times, in the Conference Room of Wilmington Memorial Library next Wednesday.

The showings will be at 10 a.m., 2:30 and 7 p.m. on December 28. An over flow crowd is expected.

Wilmington Methodist Church

The Rev. George B. Taylor, III minister; 658-2264 or 658-3801.

Thursday, Dec. 23: 9:30 a.m., Bible study class with childcare provided; 7 p.m., Boy Scouts.

Sunday, Dec. 26: 9:30 a.m., Church School, kindergarten, senior high and adult Bible class; 11 a.m., Worship service; Kindergarten and nursery; Junior Church.

Monday, Dec. 27: 7:30 p.m., Diet Workshop.

Wednesday, Dec. 29: 9:30 a.m., Bible study class at Jay

Tewksbury Methodist Church

The Rev. J. Warren Jacobs, Ph.D., Pastor.

Friday, Dec. 24: 7 p.m., Family candlelight service; 11 p.m., Candlelight and communion service.

Sunday, Dec. 26: 10 a.m., Worship and church school; 11 a.m., Youth Church School, adult discussion and coffee; 9 p.m., Gamblers Anonymous.

Tuesday, Dec. 28: 7 p.m., Choir rehearsal; 7 p.m., 4-H Photo Club.

Wednesday, Dec. 29: 6 a.m., Bible study; 9 a.m., Diet Workshop; 7 p.m., Diet Workshop; 7:30 p.m., Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous.

Thursday, Dec. 30: 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous.

The Bible speaks in Wilmington

The Rev. Steve Quilan, pastor; 6 Pond St., 658-0051.

Thursday, Dec. 23: 7 p.m., Soul Winning, 6 Pond Street.

Saturday, Dec. 25: Bus ministry, 18 Strout Ave.; 7:45 p.m., Bible study; 86 Salem Street, Lawrence.

Sunday, Dec. 26: Services at North Intermediate School, Wilmington, title, In Love, In Meekness, In Kindness.

Monday, Dec. 27: 7:45 p.m., Bible study at the

Congregational Church.

Tuesday, Dec. 28: 7:45 p.m., Bible study, Weeds Hall lecture room 3, South campus, Lowell University.

Wednesday, Dec. 29: 7:45 p.m., Youth study, 18 Strout Ave., Wilmington with Pastor Bill Fisher.

Pastor Carl Stevens and Pastor Steven Quilan may be heard on Telephone Time, WRYT (9:50 AM) Boston; Monday through Friday from 10 to 11 a.m.

Ryt's with childcare at the church; 6 p.m., Cherub Choir rehearsal; 6:15 p.m., Junior Choir rehearsal; 7 p.m., Senior Choir rehearsal.

The Rev. Richard L. Evans, minister; 658-4519 or 658-8217.

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A blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year to our friends and neighbors and to Exalted Ruler Ed Carlton and his lovely wife Gerry, and all the members of BPOE 2070, Tewksbury and Wilmington (Elks). Sincerely Bob and Marie Woodland.

In memory of our grandmother, Cecilia Brennan at Christmas, always remembered and very sadly missed by Kathi (Gillis), Bobby, Debbie and Christopher.

In memory of Eileen B. Quinn at Christmas, always remembered and very sadly missed by her friends, Tom and Audrey Brennan.

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Tewksbury Library holiday schedule.

Tewksbury's Patten Public Library will be closed all day Friday, December 24 and Saturday, December 25 in observance of the Christmas holiday.

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Regional Health Center in Wilmington

Relatives, friends and loved ones honored by contributions in their memory to the Regional Health Center in Wilmington this week include:

In memory of Father Leahy, from all his friends at McNamara Tire Co.

Kay and Dick Scanlon wish all their friends a Happy Holiday Season.

Merry Christmas and peace in the New Year to all our relatives, friends and neighbors from Ronald and Priscilla Outridge of Tewksbury.

In lieu of Christmas cards, the best holiday wishes to our neighbors from Jessie and Harvey Hudson.

Wishing a Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year to all our neighbors and friends from Norman and Rita Twombly.

In loving memory of Lillian Vieira, from the Vieira family.

In memory of our loved ones this Christmas, from the Vieira family.

In memory of our loved ones this Christmas, from Jack and Sis Dias.

In loving memory of our daughter at Christmas, Mary Frances Pratt, "until we meet again," from Ma, Dad, Brothers and Sisters.

In memory of Forrest Blanchard (Stoneham), from Mr. and Mrs. John DePiano.

In memory of Forrest Blanchard from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fusco.

In memory of Forrest S. Blanchard, from Mrs. Angelina DePiano.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our friends and neighbors from Virginia and Cliff Bramer.

A loving wish for a beautiful Christmas to our children Bobby, Betty, Donna, Catherine, Robin, Patricia, Marie, Kerry, Michele, Donald and Paul; our daughter-in-law and sons-in-law. Thank you for our beautiful grandchildren Cindy, Sharon, Robbie, Kenney, Denise, Danielle and Tina. We love you all, from Mom and Dad.

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Jeffrey Linehan, Robert Magliozzi, Rosemarie Martyn, Laura Mascia, Carolyn McCann, Sheila McDermott, Timothy Morris, Kimberly Oikie, Peter Osterhaven, Lee Ann Quandt, Sharon Reinbolt, John Reinbolt, Jean Robinson, Patricia Ryan, Karen Spahl, Eileen Taylor, Lauren Turner, Melinda Wicks, Steven Zolondick.

In memory of Richard Lepski, a special friend at Christmas from Kathi Gillis.

In lieu of Christmas cards to our friends and neighbors, from Midge and George Mosher.

In memory of Joseph Morelli, father of Angie Pette from Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams.

Merry Christmas to our wonderful sons, Tim and J.D. Trefrey, we love you both and are very thankful, love Mommy and Dad.

Wilmington

N.I.S. honor roll

The following students have been named to the honor roll at Wilmington's North Intermediate School for the first marking period.

Eighth grade

Andrew Bartlett, Kelly Bauman, Susan Butler, Elizabeth DeMarco, Patricia Fuller, Diane Gallagher, Kathleen Gillespie, Julie Hancock, Nancy Hartka, Joan Lombardi.

Scott MacDonald, Pamela Manzo, Erica Melle, Michael Novak, Diane Odum, James Quinn, Marianne Smallidge, Brenda Snyder, Michael Stokes, Jennifer Stone, Joan Walsh, Barbara Zaino, Karen Zuccaro.

Seventh grade

Heather Anderson, Richard Ballou, Marianne Campbell, David Colarusso, Frank DeVita, Mark Dayab, Lawrence Donovan, Cheryl Ford, Paul Gallant, Donna Gardner, Kevin Jablonski, Byron Kincad.

Robin Mayo, Valerie Medeiros, Sharon Milton, Nancy Nestor, Deirdre O'Reilly, Eva Marie Patrick, Heather Rogers, Erika Skantz, Sherry Tufts, Linda Vassallo, David Virtus, Paula Willwerth.

Seventh grade

Laurie Armstrong, Barbara Barrett, Kim Bauman, Susan Bobek, Ronald Cahill, Michelle Darling, Megan Donnelly, Robert Enos, Louis Gionfriddo, Susan Hanna, Jill Heubner, Theresa Lowney, Jeffrey Lux.

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Scott Aronofsky, Kathleen Bailey, Paul Bova,

greetings

Bits & Pieces

Birthday
Richard Nicol of Lake St., Wilmington observed his birthday with friends and relatives on December 6.

Renee Gilson of Manning St., Wilmington is nine years old today, December 22.

Renee Morse of Faulkner Ave., Wilmington will face a birthday cake gleaming with eight candles on December 26.

At least five Wilmington residents will be sharing a birthday on December 29. Kristin Johnson of Taft Road will be three years old on the 29th; Kristin's dad, Dewey will also be celebrating on the 29th; Naomi Teixeira of 94 Aldrich Rd., will be a year wiser on December 29 and Diana Prince of Taft Road will be serenaded by friends and relatives on the same day. Marge Mills of McDonald Rd., Wilmington will be celebrating for the 21st time on December 29.

Corydon Coombs of Middlesex Ave., Wilmington will turn another page on December 30 and will share greetings with Steve Daley of Allen Park Drive who will be celebrating for the 14th time on the same day.

Paul Valente of Chestnut St., Wilmington will become a teenager on December 31 and will share his special day with Methias Bedell of Chestnut S.; Denise O'Donoghue of Kenwood Ave., and Robert Thibedeau of Patriots Rd., Tewksbury.

January 3 will mark the special day of Mike Weinberg of Weinberg's Department Store in Wilmington Center and Diane DeLuca of Woburn St. who will become a teenager on January 3.

Patricia O'Reilly of Wildwood St., Wilmington will blow out the candles for the 14th time on January 4 and will share her special day with Ann Domigan of Gunderson Rd., who will also be 14 on January 14.

Josephine Fiola of Ayotte St., Wilmington will make it around for the 81st time on January 5.

Golden Agers
Members of the Wilmington Golden Age Club on the current birthday list include:

Arnold Bishop of Deming Way and Miriam Colucci of Canal St., on December 29; Janet Mollison of Deming Way on December 30 and Peggy Eaton of Andover St. on December 31.

Anniversaries
New Year's Day will mark the 43rd wedding anniversary of George and Grace Murray of Church St., Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cunningham of 14 Beacon St., will be dancing the Anniversary Waltz on January 5.

From the fire log
Members of Wilmington's Fire Department answered 53 calls for assistance between December 13 and 19 including:

Eighteen ambulance runs; 20 brush fires; five service calls; four false alarms; one building fire; two auto fires and three dumpster fires.

Tewksbury Marines

Mike Fuller
Mike Fuller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fuller of Pinewood Rd., Tewksbury has been stationed at Parris Island, South Carolina for 11 weeks of basic training with the Marine Corp.

Mike's new address is: Pvt. Michael Fuller ME 019-50-3435; PTL 3016 H Company; 3RD BN RTR MCRD; Parris Island, S.C. 29905.

Chris Leos, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred

Chris Leos, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Leos of Temple Street, Tewksbury has been stationed at Parris Island, South Carolina for 11 weeks of basic training in the Marine Corp. Chris' new address is: Pvt. Christopher A. Leos CA 031-50-8744; PTL 3015 H Company; 3RD BN RTR MCRD; Parris Island, S.C. 29905.

Both men are 1976 graduates of Tewksbury High School and both left Tewksbury on December 1.

330 Jumping jacks
According to witnesses Michele Cabriel and Daniel Godding, nine-year-old Connie Murphy of Crescent St., Wilmington recently set a record by doing 330 jumping jacks without stopping.



A simple Christmas wreath and a snowfall is all that is needed to dress up the Wilmington Congregational Church for Christmas.

Couples Club

St. Dorothy's Couples Social Club will hold its first annual New Year's Eve party Friday evening Dec. 31 in the church lower hall from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

There will be dancing to a live orchestra and hot and cold buffet will be served from 10 through the night with liquid refreshments.

Deadline for tickets is December 28. Call 658-4683 for information.

Pack 136
Christmas party

The Cub Scouts of American Legion Pack 136 held their December pack meeting and Christmas party on December 12 at American Legion Hall in Wilmington.

The Webelos posted the colors and Cubmaster Jim O'Donnell conducted the opening ceremony and reviewed the events on the calendar for the month - December 18, Webelos swim gym; December 22, through January 2, no den meetings; January 3, regular den meetings resume.

Plans are in progress for the annual blue and gold banquet which will be held Sunday, March 6 at the K of C Hall in Wilmington. Parents are reminded to fill out the hand sheet with total number planning to attend and have cubs return it to their den leaders at the next meeting.

Awards went to: Derick Carpenter of Den Five who received two silver arrows; Webelos Kevin Backman, outdoorsman; Jeff DeJongh, athlete.

Service stars - Six years to Institutional Representative Angus McFeeley; pack treasurer Dave Fillo and den leader coach Louise Fillo.

Refreshments were enjoyed by all and as the Webelos were leading the group in singing Christmas Carols. Santa arrived and presented each cub with a gift.

The next regular pack meeting will be held Monday, January 10 at Legion Hall.

Grange needs

The Wilmington/Tewksbury is currently soliciting new members. Those interested should call Grange Master Tom Desharnais at 658-3781.

St. Thomas' Church

Dec. 29 to 24: Daily Mass at 9 a.m.

Dec. 24: Christmas Vigil, Masses at 4 and 7 p.m.

Dec. 25: Masses at midnight (with youth choir and orchestra), 8:15, 9:30, 10:45 a.m. and 12 noon. There will be no afternoon Masses for Sunday.

Dec. 26: Masses at 8:15, 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. 12 noon, and 4 p.m.

Confessions: Monday, Dec. 20 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Wednesday from 3 to 4 p.m.; Penitential service at 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, no confessions; Friday, 10 to 11 a.m. and 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.; on Christmas day confessions will be heard 30 minutes before each mass.

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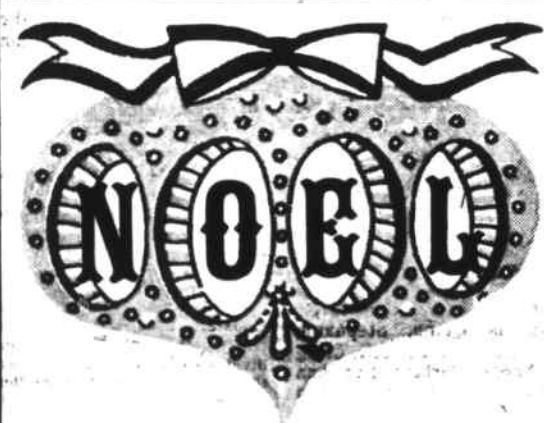
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Letters to the editor

Dear Larz:
This is just a note to explain the meeting of December 6 which was terminated by the departure of Messrs. Banda and Gillis.

Every chairman makes up the agenda on the Thursday night before the meeting so the selectmen can review the agenda over the weekend. This was done for this meeting exactly as it has been by every chairman in my memory.

The one item not on the agenda was the Glen Road closing, yet at this meeting the selectmen heard the people, accepted their petition and closed the street without a murmur. Therefore, the point of contention is not being forewarned or the meeting not legal but rather if you are for or against the proposal and how many votes are involved. Personally I am opposed for a number of reasons, to Mr. Courtney's client's proposal. However, as a selectman I will listen to anyone who appears before me, friend or foe, as each has a right as a citizen.

Regards,
George W. Boylen, Jr., Chmn.
Board of Selectmen
Wilmington

Dear Larz:
This is a small point, but I want to correct an error contained in a photo caption the week before last.

The football team's winning hero is chosen each year by the team's coaching staff, not by the Boosters Club.

The Booster Club presents a photo album to the recipient of this award and were very pleased with this year's choice, Tom Gillis.

Hugh Wiberg,
Vice Pres. Boosters

Editorials

Recognition of Avco

Wilmington's Avco last week was reported as having received a contract from the U.S. Air Force, a three year contract for the development of an intercontinental missile re-entry system. More contracts are expected to follow. There is belief that Avco Wilmington will again be a place with many employees.

Avco Wilmington is one of the very few firms in the United States capable of the sophistry involved in the solving of the re-entry problem. It is easy to get a rocket or missile up into space. The problem is to get it back again, in one piece, unfragmented or burned.

Twenty years ago Avco solved this problem for the first time through the ablative method - a washing off of the heat generated in the re-entry of a rocket into the atmosphere.

Today multiple head rockets and trajectories make a more difficult problem.

Several defense firms in the United States would have loved to have received this problem. Under a different political administration some of them would have. In recent years Avco's unique facilities have been by-passed.

Avco Wilmington has been barely kept alive putting out the fires which other firms incurred, when they received contracts.

Avco Wilmington is in fact a unique facility in this country, indeed in the Free World. It can call on resources of knowledge which have been maintained through the lean years, a viable national resource.

Ten years ago there were about 5,000 employees, some of them being the most knowledgeable scientists and engineers in the world. They were the men capable of solving the re-entry problems. Many of the residents of the Wilmington area were here because of Avco.

This grouping has almost been dissolved. Avco Wilmington is today a skeleton. Hopefully it can be fleshed out. Hopefully the contract from the Air Force is a leader to other contracts.

What happened to Avco happened to other places along Route 128, now also to be called Interstate 95. It is estimated that ten thousand scientists and engineers moved to Texas and California in the past decade.

It is quite probable that political considerations were involved. Involved was not a question of reduction of facilities in toto, but a question of shifting political priorities. Massachusetts was the place that lost.

Avco's contract is a reversal of the trend of recent years.

But the recognition of Wilmington's Avco is in fact above politics. It underscores the fact that Wilmington's plant is a critical part of the defense resources of the United States.

Perhaps that recognition has not come too late.

A Glen Road solution?

Twice in recent weeks parents have been at the Wilmington selectmen's meeting protesting traffic conditions on Glen Road during school hours. There is no sidewalk. The road is narrow. It is much used by drivers who seek to avoid the problem of the Route 129 alternative in Wilmington Square.

A sidewalk would be nice, but the road is too narrow with houses set close to the road. It was surveyed about 20 years ago by county engineers. The result was a plan in which many homes would undergo major surgery, losing steps, porches, front rooms. Glen Road residents were unanimously opposed.

Two years ago Wilmington selectmen, mindful of the traffic problem, tried to revive the plan. Again there was unanimous opposition by residents.

The difficulty is similar to that of Federal Street, Wilmington. In that case no sidewalk could be built for many years because of the layout of the street. The town engineer did succeed in "squeezing" a sidewalk in. Perhaps it was not the best engineering, but there is now a sidewalk on Federal Street.

Wilmington's town engineer is now trying to see if a sidewalk can be "squeezed in" for Glen Road. Perhaps he will have a solution, in a few weeks. If such is the case it may be put in next spring.

Stephen Cook accepted at Georgia

Stephen Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cook of Pineridge Road, Wilmington has been accepted at the Georgia Institute of Technology. He is planning to study mechanical engineering. Stephen is a senior at Wilmington High School.



Bits & Pieces

Fund-raising dance
On Wednesday, December 29, a fund-raising dance will be held by the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks Crusaders Drum and Bugle Corps. It will be held at the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks Hall, South St., Tewksbury beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door and the public is invited.



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Youth Hockey Highlights

Bantam Intramural
On December 17 the Blues defeated the league leading Flames by a score of 4-3 at Merrimack College. The victory pulled the Blues to within one point of the first place Flames, with one game still at hand.

The Flames opened the scoring in the first period with a goal from close in on the Blues goalie Chris Aucoin. The Blues came back quickly with a backhand by right winger Rick Dion on a rebound on a shot by defenseman Bill Brattle. The Blues took the lead which they never relinquished on an exciting rush by Don O'Brien on a pass from Paul Codraro.

The first period ended with the Blues leading 2-1. The second period began with Don O'Brien tipping in a pass from Richard Buscatera on a disputed goal. The Flames responded with their second goal on a breakaway by defenseman Scott Patterson who scored on a brilliant deke on the Blues' goalie. The second period ended with Richard Buscatera flipping in a goal on a nice pass from Don O'Brien. The score at the end of two periods was 3-2 in favor of the Blues.

In the third period, the two teams traded goals. First, Don O'Brien on a rebound from the shot of the Blues' Rick Dion. The Flames responded with the game's final score, making the final score 4-3 with the Blues being the clear victor.

An outstanding game for the Blues was played by Don O'Brien, Chris Aucoin, Bill Brattle and Richard Buscatera. For the Flames, Scott Patterson and goalie Tommy Bond played an inspired game.

Squirt Blues
win big
The Tewksbury Squirt Blue Team broke its losing streak

Sunday at Merrimack against the Orange team at the score of 4-0.

Goalie Gerry Buss was first star kicking out 18 shots posting his first shutout.

Mike Broderick, the Blues' leading scorer notched the game winner on a Danny Burns helper.

Scott Nelson got the second and third goal with credit going to the hustle of Wayne Sheehan and Chris Smith.

Joe Mattola rounded the game, sinking the fourth lamplighter on a fine backhand shot of Gary Corbett.

Playing an outstanding defensive game were Todd Bonney, Gary Cobbett, Scott Sutherland, Chris Smith and Wayne Sheehan who skated wing and defense excellently.

Canadians prevail
Bruce Cabral scored the game winner in the third period to help the Canadians defeat the North Stars 2-1, Saturday in Tewksbury Pee Wee Intramural action.

Canadian goalie Gary Iacopucci took on 15 shots allowing only one goal in the final period spoiling his shutout.

Star goalie Jim Angelo played as fine a game taking on 13 shots allowing two third period goals.

After two scoreless frames Jeff Mazzone took a lead pass from Fred Brown, broke away scoring the first redlight of the game. Later, Bruce Cabral notched the game winner on a hustling passing play of Steve DiLorenzo. Kevin Mally had the sole job of containing star wingman Tommy Burns. Burns was allowed only one shot, that which gave the Stars their only goal and avoiding a shutout.

Canadian defenders, Brian and Billy Kolek, Steve DiLorenzo and Kevin Comfort held their position in check, aiding in the victory.

Gary Iacopucci recorded his first shutout performance of the season last week, balancing the Islanders 1-0.

Kevin Mally scored the only goal in the final period on a Steve DiLorenzo assist.

The contest was played for only a period and a half as Brian Lambert was injured in the opening period and time elapsed awaiting an ambulance.

Bantam B-
Somerville II deadlock
The Tewksbury Bantam B's went into a 1-1 deadlock with Somerville in league action Sunday.

Tewksbury went ahead 1-0 in the second period on a goal by Danny Walsh assisted by the passing of Mike Sarsfield and Ricky Sheehan. Somerville managed a tie goal with 10 minutes left in the final period.

Dennis Houde (filling in for the day), Brian Cormier and Joe Capello skated strongly up front. Mike Rapana (also filling in), Mike Chase and Bob Corrieri were super on defense in front of goalie Scott Bonney making solid saves holding Somerville scoreless for two periods.

Seen in the crowd was Mike Amorella, who is out with a broken rib and Mike MacDonald who was recently promoted to the Bantam A's.

Danny Walsh scored the game winner in the second period lifting the Bantam B's to a 5-3 triumph over Westford in non-league action.

Tewksbury led 2-0 in the first period as Rob Richmond scored unassisted and John Doherty lit the lamp on Rich-

mond and Jim DiLuca assists; Westford answered twice to tie.

Westford opened the second with their final marker and Tewksbury came back with two more.

Rich Sheehan tallied from Danny Walsh and later Walsh scored the game winner on a Russ Barnes assist.

Richmond sank the insurance marker in the final period helped by linemates DiLuca and Doherty.

Captain Steve Bucknam, Scott Tremlett and Mark Weitz defensively controlled their opposition while Scott Bonney secured the nets posting the win.

Majorette captains

The TMHS majorette captain and co-captains for 1977 have been announced.

The captain is Diane Gacek; first co-captain, Debbie Kapust; second co-captain Mary Kay Saunders.

The 1977 majorette squad will be selected in the spring.

Redmen girls top co-champs

TMHS girls' basketball team staged the upset of the young season as they nipped Billerica, last year's co-champs 31-30 last week.

Linda Doherty paced the winning attack with 12 points followed by Diane Long with 10.

No seniors' lunch December 24-31

Due to school vacation there will be no hot lunch program in operation for senior citizens between Friday, December 24 and Friday December 31. The program will resume Monday, January 3. Call 657-7555 on Thursday, December 30 before noon to make reservations for lunch on January 3.

Drop-in-Center activities:
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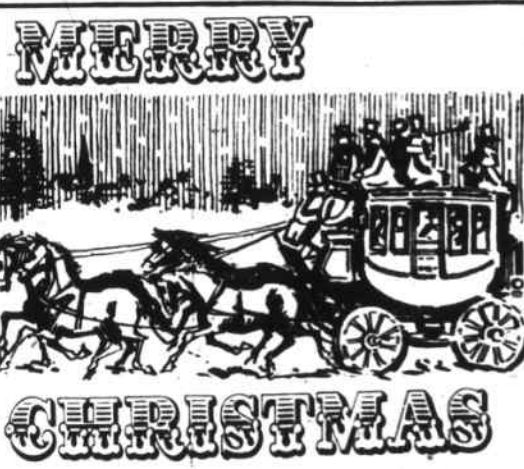
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**Atomic energy
lecture Thursday**

A demonstration lecture on atomic energy and its uses, conducted by Wentworth College of Technology, Boston, will be presented at the North Intermediate School in Wilmington on Thursday at 8:30 and 9:30 a.m.

The program, titled "This Atomic World," is designed to acquaint students with the basic principles of nuclear energy, its sources, and its role in agriculture, industry, medicine and research. The grant for conducting this lecture-demonstration program among schools in Eastern Massachusetts was awarded to Wentworth of Technology by Boston Edison Company.

Robert J. Phillip will present the assembly program, which explains in student terms the structure of atoms and the operation of nuclear reactors as well as such concepts as radiation, fission, and fusion. Mr. Phillip has completed extensive training at Oak Ridge Associated Universities in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He holds an Associate Degree in Electronic Engineering and a B.S. Degree in Engineering Technology from Wentworth College of Technology. Specially designed electronic equipment is used during the 40-minute program to demonstrate the sources of radiation, how nuclear energy is harnessed to furnish electric power for cities, and the use of radioisotopes to aid in diagnosis and treatment of diseases and to learn more about life processes.

A blackboard talk or demonstration lecture to science classes, which deals more specifically with the topics of atomic structure, radioactivity, radiation biology, and careers in nuclear science, follows the assembly.

Coming Events

Wednesday, December 29: 7:30 p.m., Fund-Raising Dance by Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks Crusaders Drum & Bugle Corps. Elks Hall, Tewksbury. Public invited.

Wednesday, December 29: 10 a.m., 2:30 and 7 p.m., King Kong original film at Wilmington Memorial Library. Admission will be free.

Friday, December 31: 8 p.m. to 2 a.m., St. Dorothy's Couples Social Club first annual New Year's Eve party in the lower church.

Please submit items for coming events listing at least one week before desired date of publication.

Deadline for reservations December 26. 658-4683 for information.

Monday, December 3: 7:30 p.m., next committee meeting of Cub Scout Pack 56 at Wilmington Congregational Church.

Thursday, January 6: 2 p.m., Golden Agers' Board of Director's meeting in Deming Way Social Hall.

Thursday, January 13: 1 p.m., Regular meeting of Wilmington Golden Age Club at K of C Hall, Wilmington.



Girl Scout
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Three Tewksbury ladies who took part in the preparation for the caroling by Tewksbury Girl Scouts, during the Christmas holidays.
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Private Glenn B. Hall, US Marine Corps has completed his recruit training at the Marine Corps Depot in San Diego, California. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Livingston, 20 Knollwood Rd., Tewksbury.
Private Hall joined the Marine Corps in August. He is now awaiting orders for further assignment.

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Tom Martel will direct Wilmington Spotlighters

Tom Martel of North Reading has been chosen to be the director of Forty Carats, the forthcoming play to be performed by the Wilmington Spotlighters.

Mr. Martel is a member of the Lynnfield Spotlighters and of the Wilmington Spotlighters. He has been participating in community theatre since 1960 and has been active in all phases of producing and acting. His work ranges from heavy drama to musical comedy, and he has directed numerous workshops in both theatre and other groups.

Many local people will remember him as Ike Skidmore, in the recent production of Oklahoma, by the Wilmington Spotlighters.

The show is to be presented on April 22 and 23 at Wilmington High School. Tryouts are to begin soon, and

the dates are scheduled to be announced next week. Persons interested in trying out may see the scripts, now at the Wilmington Public Library. Questions will be answered by calling 664-6364 or 658-3948.

Stephen Scibilla at Lackland AFB

Airman Stephen J. Scibilla of 10 Kimberly Drive, Tewksbury is to remain at Lackland Air Force Base, in Texas, for specialized training in the field of security police.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. John Scibilla, he recently graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland. He is a 1976 graduate of Tewksbury High School.

Alice McNevin on TV



Alice McNevin, as she appeared on the TV screen, last Saturday, during the bowling on Channel Five.

strings. Maybe after another 14 years she will have another chance.

She was awarded a nice trophy "the loser's trophy" to take home.

Alice McNevin was the star of the show, last Saturday noon, on Channel Five. She appeared in Candlepin Bowling, a regular Saturday noon-time program, pitted against the champion, Ann Hubert of Biddeford, Maine.

It was Alice's second appearance in the candlepin bowling program, although she has been seen frequently in other bowling programs. The noon time program on Channel Five is for champions. Alice previously appeared on that program 14 years ago.

Alice, her husband Ed, and two children live on Brentwood Avenue, in Wilmington. Sometimes she appears as a part time coach, for lady bowlers. It is a sport that she enjoys.

The final score - Hubert 370, McNevin 319, after three full

Mark Davidson assigned to Elgin AF Base

Mark A. Davidson of 25 Gunderson Rd., Wilmington has been assigned to Elgin Air Force Base, in Florida, following his graduation from the US Air Force technical training force at Keesler AFB in Mississippi.

Airman Davidson, now trained to test and repair navigational systems and related equipment, will have duty with a unit of the Tactical Air Command. A graduate of Shawheen Valley Technical High School, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Davidson of North Wilmington.

Daniel Kelley is outstanding Airman

Exemplary conduct and duty performance has won Outstanding Airman honors for Airman First Class Daniel F. Kelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Kelley of 135 Pine Street, Tewksbury.

Airman Kelley, a security police specialist, is stationed at Taegu Air Force Base, in the Republic of Korea. He is a member of the Pacific Air Forces.

A 1974 graduate of Tewksbury Memorial High School, he is married to Sharon, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Murray of Cumberland, Maryland.

Pack 56 Christmas meeting

Pack 56, Boy Scouts of America, of Wilmington held its Christmas pack meeting Monday evening, December 20 at the Congregational Church in Wilmington.

Members of the Webelo Den were color guards; Scoutmaster Robert MacEvoy read a Christmas poem.

Rocket models were presented to each Cub Scout and they will be used for the January theme - "World of Tomorrow."

The following awards were presented:

Bobcat, Kevin Cronin, Steven Bjork, Mark Rita, Alfred Ciampa, Larry MacGovern, Paul Logan and Jay T. O'Rourke. Wolf, Eric

Johnson, Bear, Gold arrow point and two year pin, John Pelletier. Den Four won the attendance award and the Webelo Den won the achievement award.

Members of Den Two, led by Mrs. Cindy McCue and Mrs. Maureen Florenza, chopped a Christmas in Groton and decorated with their own handmade decorations. The tree will be presented to the senior citizen drop-in center this afternoon at four o'clock. Den Three, accompanied by den mothers Mrs. Gerry Tucci and Mrs. Linda Wright visited patients at Tewksbury Hospital and distributed gifts. Refreshments and social

hour were enjoyed following the meeting.

The next committee meeting will be held Monday evening, January 3 at 7:30. The next pack meeting will be held Monday evening, January 17 at seven o'clock.

Forest Street Congregational Church

The Rev. William C. Hackett, Jr., minister.
Sunday, Dec. 26: 10:45 a.m., to 11:45 a.m., Sunday School; 11 a.m., to 12 noon, morning worship.



Four new
Bobcats

Cub Scout Pack 56 inducted eight new Bobcats Monday evening. Shown here, with their parents are Mark Rita, David Beecher, Ronald Amidon and Jay O'Rourke.

Home again
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Middlesex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of **Margaret I. Forrest** late of Middlesex, ss. deceased.
A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by **Robert P. Barboza** of Chelmsford in the County of Middlesex praying that he be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifth day of January 1977, the return day of this citation.

Witness, **EDWARD T. MARTIN**, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of December 1976.

JOHN V. HARVEY, Register

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of **Joseph J. Brown** late of Middlesex, ss. deceased.
A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by **Bertha Brown** of Middlesex in the County of Middlesex praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the thirteenth day of January 1977, the return day of this citation.

Witness, **EDWARD T. MARTIN**, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of December 1976.

JOHN V. HARVEY, Register

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CALENDAR

TOWN ELECTION

MARCH 5, 1977

The last day to file nomination papers with Registrars of Voters: January 31, 1977 (on or before 5:00 p.m.).

At Town Hall - Voter registration from 7:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. January 25, 1977.

Last day to file nomination papers with Town Clerk February 7, 1977 (on or before 5:00 p.m.).

Last day to withdraw February 8, 1977.

Last Saturday registration (prior to close of registration) February 5, 1977 (from Noon to 8:00 P.M.) at Town Hall.

Last day to register voters for Town Election Friday, February 11, 1977 at Town Hall (from Noon to 10:00 P.M.).

Mary G. Condrey, Chmn.
D22.29 Board of Registrars

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of **Jella I. Serrano** of Middlesex, ss. deceased.
A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by **William J. Mann** of Middlesex in the County of Middlesex praying that he be appointed executor thereof without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the seventh day of January 1977, the return day of this citation.

Witness, **EDWARD T. MARTIN**, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of December 1976.

JOHN V. HARVEY, Register

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss.
To all persons interested in the estate of **Margaret I. Forrest** late of Middlesex, ss. deceased.
A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by **Lorraine M. Landry** of Middlesex in the County of Middlesex praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fourth day of January 1977, the return day of this citation.

Witness, **EDWARD T. MARTIN**, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of December 1976.

JOHN V. HARVEY, Register

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the POWER OF SALE contained in a certain mortgage given by **Edmund J. Lascelles and Josephine M. Lascelles** to Home Savings Bank dated January 23, 1973 and recorded with Middlesex County North Registry of Deeds, Book 2046, Page 523, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder.

For breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 13th day of January A.D. 1977, on the premises hereinafter described and all singular the premises described in said mortgage, therein described as follows:

To wit: "the land with the buildings thereon situated in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts and being Lots 78 and 79 on plan of 'Wilmington Terrace, Wilmington, Mass. owned by Frank W. Coupland,' recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Book 25, Page 43, bounded and described as follows:

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December 2, 1976
Signed: **HOME SAVINGS BANK**
George H. Ellis, President
P. 2046, Page 523, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder.

Youth Hockey Highlights

Bantam A
The A's once again were victorious as they defeated Cambridge 6 - 3 on Thursday, Dec. 18.

The first period the A's wasted no time taking control of the game as Eric Banda put Wilmington on the board on an unassisted goal. Then nine minutes later on a pass from Ed Giroux put one more in to end the period 2 - 1 Wilmington.

The second period started off with a scoring bid by Tim McCann on a pass from Dennis Foley with only 30 seconds gone in the period to make it 3 - 1. With only 33 seconds left in the period Paul Boudreau marched it to score to end the period 4 - 2.

December 19: Despite very poor officiating by both referees, Wilmington defeated Marblehead 2 - 1. The first period was good, two-way hockey and very tight checking to make the period scoreless. Both goalies were tested very well even though the period was scoreless.

The second period Marblehead made the board and left the period at a 1 - 0 advantage until the third period.

Very poor refereeing was very influential until this point.

The third period saw Rich Robinson come to the rescue with two goals on a nice pass from Hoke LaLiberte and the other unassisted on a breakaway to win the game 2 - 1.

The A's not only beat Cambridge, but the referees too.

Pee Wee B
The Pee Wee B's had another successful week of play, defeating Ipswich in the Danvers League 14 - 0 and Cambridge in the Wilmington League 4 - 0. The victories boosted goalie Chuck Webster's shutout total for the season to nine.

Superb passing and fine play defeated Ipswich with John Robson, Craig Richards, Jeff Brown and Jim Smith each collecting hat tricks while Dan Ward and Jim Smith added extra goals. All team members except the goalie shared in the point column with at least one assist each.

The victory over Cambridge was featured by goals from Jim Smith assisted by Craig Richards; John LaLiberte assisted by Jeff Brown and Marc Johnson; Craig

Richards assisted by Dan Ward and Marc Johnson assisted by John LaLiberte and Jeff Brown.

Bantam B
The B's record went to 22-2 with their latest wins.

December 8: The B's defeated Woburn 7 - 2 as Matt DePasquale made 13 saves in a fine game. Woburn scored first - the B's put in the next six goals before trading scores late in the third period.

Scoring had Smith, two goals and one assist; Ford, one goal and one assist; DePasquale one goal; plus assists to Duggan and Turner with two; Potenza and Stokes.

December 13: Matt DePasquale saved 13 of 14 shots to give the B's a 2-1 victory over an excellent Methuen team. Wilmington opened the scoring at 7:31 of the first period on a Fran Turner goal - assists to Keith Macdonald and Keith Ford.

Methuen tied it up halfway into period two. Four minutes later Macdonald scored the winner assisted by Ford.

Wilmington Rec winter sports

WRBL roundup
Men: Shawheen Plumbing opened the season by winning a pair of close victories.

Coach Jim Maxwell's club defeated Jera-Lyn, 78 - 61 with a 26 point third period explosion, then slipped past the defending Super-Stars, 78 - 70. The Stars (2-1) belted the Misfits, 79 - 55 and Jera-Lyn, 108-91 to stay close to the league leaders.

The Bottoms Up club remains winless losing to Jera-Lyn 80 - 72 and to the Misfits, 73 - 66.

Senior girls: The Opals topped the Diamonds, 44 - 35 with Linda Rudnicki pumping in 34 points. In other action the Emeralds nudged the Crystals, 30 - 27 and the Jades bumped the Rubys, 47 - 44.

Senior boys: The defending champion Lakers came from behind to beat the Pistons, 66 - 58. The Celtics exploded for 22 points in the second period enroute to a 57 - 45 victory over the Bulls and the Royals edged the undermanned Knicks, 42 - 38.

Junior boys: In the American Conference season opens the Tigers overpowered the Lions, 37 - 21 and the Elks belted the Broncos, 56 - 27.

The Seals defeated the Colts in the lone National Conference encounter.

Junior girls: The Foxes held on to nip the Bunnies, 27 - 25, while the Bees crushed the Beers, 50 - 16 on December 18. In Saturday December 18 contests, the Minis slipped past the Kittens, 25 - 21 and the Pandas surprised the Fawns, 30 - 18.

Distaff skaters
bets Haverhill

The Recs won their second straight outing defeating Haverhill 5 - 1 in MVHL action on December 19. Other goal getters for the Blue were John Welch and Betty Cote. Assists were garnered by Karen Surrette (three), Cushing (two), Welch and Susan Dee.

The Recs maintained a wide 27 - 9 shots on net advantage in defeating the Aces for the second time this season.

The girls return to league play on December 26 when they face Natick in a p.m. contest at Tyngsboro.

MVC hockey

Wildcats on title trail

The Wilmington High School hockey team is off to a fast start on the trail of the Billerica Indians - and an MVHL championship.

The Wildcats opened the 1976-77 season by blasting Lawrence 9 - 2 and followed that by dumping tough Chelmsford 3 - 0.

The two wins deadlocked the Wildcats in a first place tie with the defending champion Billerica Indians. Wilmington and Billerica are the only undefeated teams in the conference. WHS has outscored their opponents 12 - 2.

Wednesday, Dec. 15...Wildcats 9, Lawrence 2:
The Wildcats bombed the hapless Lancers to open the 1976-77 winter season with a bang.

Gordie Fitch scored a hat trick and the Wildcats lead 4 - 1 after one period.

The Wildcats outshot Lawrence 38 - 9 as WHS goalie Paul Crescitelli had an easy day.

The remainder of the Wildcat offense was provided by Mike Carlin (two goals), Bill Blaisdell, Greg Moulton, Tom Bavota, and Paul Sullivan.

Tom Gracia had two WHS assists and solo helpers went to Dino Esposito, Bob Olson, Brian Tighe, Dave Rossi, Ken Plummer, Carlin, Blaisdell, Sullivan and Fitch.

Andy Russo and Dan Clark scored the Lancer goals.

Saturday, Dec. 18...Wildcats 3, Chelmsford 0:
Goalie Crescitelli didn't have another rocking chair game as the all-star net-minder turned aside 26 shots in an excellent performance.

The Lions outshot WHS 28 - 8, but Crescitelli was the difference.

Dino Esposito scored the first WHS goal at 1:46 of the second period and sophomore Steve Mickle gave the Wildcats some insurance when he sent one past Lion goalie John Tyros with three minutes left to play.

Bill Blaisdell scored an unassisted goal with eight seconds remaining.

Bob Kohler and Todd Richards picked up Wilmington assists.

Tom Bavota played an excellent game on defense for the Wildcats.

MVHL standings
Tuesday, Dec. 21

Billerica 2 0 0 4 15 2
Wilmington 2 0 0 4 15 2
Chelmsford 1 1 0 2 14 4
Austin Prep 1 1 0 2 14 7
Methuen 1 1 0 2 12 7
Tewksbury 1 1 0 2 11 9
Central 1 1 0 2 9 11
Andover 1 1 0 2 5 15
Lawrence 0 2 0 0 2 19
Dracut 0 2 0 0 2 20

Dec. 14...Lawrence 63, Wilmington 62:

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When a team is in that situation the goal is to spread out the offense and pass the ball with the least amount of dribbling involved.

Someone forgot to inform Lancer star Kevin McLain that the Wildcats held the upper hand. McLain stole the ball and drove for an unmoored layup to give the Lancers a 63 - 62 heart-breaking win over the Wildcats.

The McLain field goal came with 11 seconds to play to give

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Sandy Mack was the only two-goal scorer for Cains', while single markers went to Paul Cote and Dan Westcott. For the Shells, it was Dave Irwin, Dan Burns and Dana Mularky.

Knights 4-Blues 3
Tim Keefe opened the scoring for the Blues early in the first period and it held until midway through the second

period when John Carlin found the range for two quick scores to put the Knights in front.

The Knights added two more goals to open the third period and then held on as the Blues came storming back to grab two late scores, but the rally fell short as Knights' goalie Bob Underwood had a couple of fine saves to end the contest.

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Dan Westcott led the Reps to a big win over the stubborn Blues to take over third place in the standings, as he scored the hat trick.

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MVC basketball

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In game number two the Wildcats ran up against a big, young, supposedly rebuilding Chelmsford Lion team. The Lions handled the Wildcats to drop Bob Milley's club's record to 0 - 2.

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LHS the hard-fought victory. Hot-shooting Jim Stewart (17 points), Steve Woods (15), Steve Winchell (13) and Tom

Stewart (10) played an excellent third period to give the Wildcats a 42 - 39 lead. The Lancers battled back to outscore WHS 24 - 20 in the final period.

McLain led the Lancers with 16 points followed by Dennis Moran with 14.

Friday, Dec. 17...Chelmsford 57, Wilmington 44.

The Wildcats fell behind in the first period 19 - 10, but came back strongly in period two to outscore the Lions 18 - 10.

After three periods the Wildcats were still very much in the fight, trailing by only one point, 39 - 38.

The Lion size and defense enabled the winners to pull away via an 18 - 6 fourth period explosion.

Jim Stewart and Steve Woods both scored